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RESPONSE TO PATENT OFFICE COMMUNICATION AND RESUBMISSION OF A SECOND SUPPLEMENTAL IDS

MS Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the official communication dated November 11, 2008, Applicants respectfully resubmit the art filed with the Second Supplemental IDS dated April 18, 2008. Applicants submit that the Second Supplemental IDS dated April 18, 2008 was a *bona fide* attempt to comply with 37 CFR § 1.98. Under 37 CFR 1.97(f), "[i]f a *bona fide* attempt is made to comply with § 1.98, but part of the required content is inadvertently omitted, additional time may be given to enable full compliance." Therefore, this resubmission of the art cited in the Second Supplemental IDS should be considered timely.

Accordingly, Applicants hereby resubmit a translation of the relevant portion of SU 128675 and Applicants submit a copy of SU 128675 in the Russian language. Applicants respectfully request consideration of the art.

Respectfully submitted,

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